

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF BOONEVILLE
MAY 1, 2012**

BE IT REMEMBERED that the regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Booneville, Mississippi was held on Tuesday, May 1, 2012, at the City Hall at 7:00 p.m., the time and place for said meeting.

Those in attendance were Mayor Joe Eaton and the following members of the Board: Alderman David Bolen, Alderman Harold Eaton, Alderman Wilda Pounds, and Alderman Jeff Williams. Alderman Mark McCoy was not present. Also, present were Daniel K. Tucker, City Attorney, Lavaile Shields, City Clerk, and several City employees and visitors. The meeting was called to order in open session by Mayor Eaton and a quorum was declared present.

The invocation was given by City Attorney Daniel K. Tucker.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mayor Joe Eaton.

Prior to the agenda, Mayor Joe Eaton and the Booneville Board Alderman recognized Chris Jones and Michael Walden of Walden Enterprises for having purchased the old Eaton Paperboard Building, which would now be leased and operated by TPF Recycling. TPF hopes to employ five (5) full-time employees immediately, and within one year employ fifteen (15) full-time employees.

Next, there came on consideration, the request to approve the consent agenda. The items on the consent agenda were as follows:

- (1) To approve the minutes of the April 17, 2012 Board meetings;
- (2) To approve the monthly accounts, with the exception of the monthly account owed to Larry Eaton.

With that exception, Alderman Williams made the motion to approve the items on the consent agenda, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and with the members of the Board present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve the bill of Larry Eaton. Alderman Harold Eaton recused himself. Alderman Bolen made a motion to approve the account, seconded by Alderman Williams, and with the remaining Alderman voting, and all voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request from Coach Bo Sandlin for funding the summer baseball program at \$2,500.00. Alderman Pounds made a motion to approve

\$1,500.00, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with the members of the Board present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Trudy Featherson with the Main Street Association reported to the Board on the upcoming activities within the City of Booneville. She also requested that the City purchase an ad in the Miss Hospitality Pageant Book, with said ad promoting the City of Booneville, Mississippi. Alderman Bolen made a motion to purchase the one page ad at the cost of \$200.00, and for the City to pay for the flowers and registration, as this is what was done last year. Alderman Pounds seconded said motion, and with the members of the Board present, and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Alderman McCoy entered the meeting at this time.

There next came on for consideration, the request by Park Director Brent Mauney to purchase mulch for the City Park in the amount of \$4,156.00, from Zeager Hardwood. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to declare the old ditchwitch trencher #2310 as surplus. Alderman Pounds made said motion, seconded by Alderman Bolen, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to declare the old water meters as surplus. Alderman McCoy made a motion to declare the meters surplus, and requested that the exact number of meters be determined, so that we knew how to bid these out. Alderman Pounds seconded said motion, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Alderman Williams made a motion that the bids for the purchase of the old meters be opened at the first board meeting in June, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request by the Gas & Water Department to approve the preliminary charge off list. Alderman Harold Eaton made said motion, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came before the Board, the opening of the quotes for the replacement of the Clarifier Drive at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Eubank Construction placed the lowest bid at \$17,020.00. Alderman Williams made a motion to approve Eubank Construction's bid, seconded by Alderman Bolen, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye",

the motion unanimously carried.

Next, David Moore gave an update on the Sewer Project. He reported that the South Booneville pump station was online.

There next came before the Board, Ronnie Johnson with Public Properties announcing that there were currently twenty-one (21) construction projects going on within the City of Booneville.

Next, the Mayor and Board of Alderman, recognizing Ronnie Johnson appointment to the Building Officials of MS (BOAM) State Board of Directors.

There next came on for consideration, the request by Ronnie Johnson for the Board to approve the ordinance on the non-conforming mobile homes and house trailers. Alderman Harold Eaton made said motion, seconded by Alderman Williams, and the following vote was had:

Alderman Bolen "Aye,"

Alderman Harold Eaton "Aye,"

Alderman McCoy "Aye,"

Alderman Pounds "Nay,"

Alderman Williams "Aye."

With a vote of four (4) for and one (1) against, the motion carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to allow Ronnie Johnson to be added as a person who could request property to be cleaned up, along with the Mayor and Board of Alderman. Alderman Pounds made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for discussion, Ronnie Johnson requesting direction on the construction of the bathroom at the Booneville Hardware Building. Ronnie was instructed to receive bids and to report back to the Board.

There next came on for consideration the request to approve the General Bond Paying Agent Agreement. Alderman Bolen made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for discussion, the parking in front of the Hardware Building. It was discussed that only three (3) or four (4) more parking spaces would be gained by doing the parallel parking. No action was taken.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve a graduation ad with Jerry

Dees, at his TV station, at the cost of \$25.00, with said ad promoting the City of Booneville. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve a graduation ad with the Daily Journal at the cost of \$50.00, for Booneville School only, with said ad promoting the City of Booneville. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve a graduation ad with the Banner-Independent, at the cost of \$75.00, with said ad promoting the City of Booneville. Alderman Williams made said motion, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to discuss or approve the purchase of a Brochure for the City of Booneville. Alderman Bolen made a motion to table this matter, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve Ronnie Johnson's Rental Property Registration and Annual Inspection Policy. Alderman McCoy made a motion to table said issue until a work session, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve the turning lane at Church Street and South Smith Street. Alderman Harold Eaton made said motion, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to approve the No-Smoking Ordinance making Booneville a smoke free City. Alderman Bolen made said motion, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and the following vote was had:

Alderman Bolen "Aye,"

Alderman Harold Eaton "Nay,"

Alderman McCoy "Nay,"

Alderman Pounds "Aye,"

Alderman Williams "Aye."

With a vote of three (3) for and two (2) against, the motion carried.

Next, Alderman Pounds reminded everyone that there was a Leash Law. Police Chief

Michael Ramey spoke and said that this Leash Law would be strictly enforced for all dogs.

There next came before the Board, the request to lock the storm shelters. Alderman McCoy made a motion to lock the storm shelters, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with the following vote was had:

Alderman Bolen "Nay,"

Alderman Harold Eaton "Aye,"

Alderman McCoy "Aye,"

Alderman Pounds "Aye,"

Alderman Williams "Nay."

With a vote of three (3) for and two (2) against, the motion carried.

Next, Alderman McCoy made a motion that all the storm shelters be keyed alike, and that every patrol unit be furnished with a set of these keys, so that they could open these storm shelters when a storm had been alerted. Said motion was seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

There next came on for consideration, the request to post for the CID Officer position, which would be a captains position. Alderman McCoy made said motion, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Next, Mayor Joe Eaton announced to the public that there would be a City blood drive on May 30, 2012.

There next came on for consideration, the request to set a work session on May 10, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. Alderman Pounds made said motion, seconded by Alderman Bolen, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.

Alderman Harold Eaton made a motion to go into closed session, to determine if executive session was needed, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

While in closed session, it was determined that an executive session was needed. Alderman Harold Eaton made a motion to go into executive session, seconded by Alderman Pounds, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Alderman Bolen made a motion to come back into open session, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye," the motion unanimously carried.

Back in open session, it was announced to the public that a personnel matter had been discussed. Police Chief Michael Ramey made a recommendation that Detective Bryon Parker receive a five (5) day suspension, a one year probation, and to be transferred back to patrol, beginning the 1st of June. Alderman Pounds made a motion to accept the recommendation of Police Chief Michael Ramey, seconded by Alderman Harold Eaton, and the following vote was had:

Alderman Bolen "Aye,"

Alderman Harold Eaton "Aye,"


Alderman McCoy "Nay,"

Alderman Pounds "Aye,"

Alderman Williams "Nay."

With a vote of three (3) for and two (2) against, the motion carried.

There being no further business, Alderman Bolen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman McCoy, and with all members of the Board present and voting "Aye", the motion unanimously carried.



JOE EATON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



LAVAILE SHIELDS, CITY CLERK